

Holy Apostles "Grapevine"

The Monthly Newsletter of Holy Apostles Episcopal Church

FROM THE DESKS OF PASTORS SHERYL AND CHRIS KESTER-BEYER

I don't remember where I got this from. It's not original with me. However, given we are still in the season of Easter, I thought it fitting. It is similar to a story I tell about myself in Confirmation class.

Forgiven by God

A way to understand that God wants us to put our sins aside is to imagine a host who has opened his home to you. Imagine further that while staying in that person's home, you knock over a priceless vase, a family heirloom that cannot be replaced. Probably you did it accidentally, but maybe you did it purposely, in a moment of anger. In either case, it shatters on the floor, and now you know you cannot begin to pay for it.

Feeling regret, you turn to your host with an apology. Your host, though saddened by the loss of the object, nonetheless is gracious and says in response, "I accept your apology. Now don't worry about it." Not only that, but your host urges you to stay, even though there are a number of other priceless objects about, and knowing that, clumsy and bad tempered as you are, you could still break more of them.

Even despite his generous attitude, you continue to feel uneasy, however, nervous that you might break something else. What's more, you are convinced that behind the kind words, your host must be very upset over the vase. In time, however, you begin to understand that he really values you over the objects, and you finally understand that he really wants you to stay, and not as his guest, but as a member of his family. He values the relationship. That's why he offers the forgiveness. The relationship is more important than the sin.

That's how important we are to God.

Easter Blessings,

Pastor Chris

May Sunday Service Assignments

Dates	Lector/Server	Acolytes	Ushers	Gifts	Coffee
5/1	Steph/Maryruth	Matt	Nick S/Larry W	Steve & Sylvia	Lee & Jenny
5/8	Deb/Maryruth	Mary & Merrill	Lee H/John P	Sharon F	Fred & Nancy
5/15	Andee/Jenny	Clancey	Mel F/Nick S	Nikki R	Pete
5/22	Amber/Jenny	Matt	Lee H/Tyler P	Nancy & Pete	Steph & Chris C
5/29	Sylvia/Maryruth	Mary & Merrill	Gilbert K/Chris C	Nick & Katy	Nick & Katy
6/5	Steph/Maryruth	Matt	Nick S/Mel F	Steve & Marilyn	Steve & Sylvia



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Sunday service: 10:30am
 Office hours: Mornings - MTW

Mitchell Ministerial

Association Food Pantry

The Food Pantry is asking for the following donations:

May-canned fruit

Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

Pantry coordinators:

Susan Weitzel-(308)623-2684 or

Mickey Hara-(308)623-2916

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Will Raney on his upcoming graduation from High School. Please join us during worship on May 15th when we will be celebrating his accomplishment and bestowing God's blessing upon him. There will be cake and coffee following worship.

Pentacost is Coming!

Pastors Chris and Sheryl know Holy Apostles does Pentacost in a very big way and are looking forward to being a part of the celebration!

Pentecost will be May 15th and we are all encouraged to wear red, yes, Husker red will be allowed! This is your heads-up for those who help decorate and get everything ready!

Blessed Pentecost!

May Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays:

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| 5/4 Mae Sakurada | 5/17 Tyler Plasencio | 5/28 Bill Raney |
| 5/8 Jacob Knaub | 5/18 Kathy Propp | 5/28 Matt Symonds |
| 5/16 Oran Symonds | | |

Anniversaries:

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| 5/12 Chad & Kathy Propp | 5/19 Mel & Barb Flick |
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FYI- Names and Contact Information

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| Priests-in-charge: | The Reverend Chris Kester-Beyer | (402)694-9189 (cell) |
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Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

Matthew 5.6

May 2016						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:30 am Adult & Children Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Service Alternate work day	2	3	4	5 ECW meeting 1 pm @ Holy Apostles	6 Group Reunion Penny's 7 am	7
8 9:30 am Adult & Children Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Service	9	10	11	12	13 Group Reunion@ Penny's 7 am	14
15 9:30 am Adult & Children Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Service PENTECOST	16	17	18	19	20 Group Reunion @ Penny's 7 am	21
22 9:30 am Adult only Sunday School 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Service	23	24	25	26	27 Group Reunion @ Penny's 7 am	28
29 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Service	30	31				
Some things of note for next few months: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next vestry meeting will be in June • ECW will resume meeting in September • Adult and Children will resume Sunday School after summer break, note last day for Children's Sunday School is May 15 • Holy Apostles will host August Deanery on the 20th 						